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Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 98, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the references listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. Enclosed FR1594152 corresponds to cited US 3,671,229.

Applicants present these references so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention. Applicants respectfully request that these references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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